

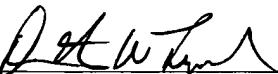


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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated July 27, 2005, reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested in view of the remarks below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.